WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

A reproducing apparatus comprising:

reproduction means for reproducing moving image data from a recording medium: and

control means for changing the recording state of the moving image data in said recording medium based on program information indicating the reproducing procedure of the moving image data by said reproduction means.

- 2. An apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said control means erases the moving image data from said recording medium, based on the program information.
- 3. An apparatus according to claim 2, wherein said control means erases, among the moving image data recorded in said recording medium, the moving image data irrelevant from the content of the program information.
- 4. An apparatus according to claim 2 or 3, wherein said contol means further changes the content of said program information according to the moving image data recorded on said recording medium after the erasing process of said moving image data.

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- 5. An apparatus according to claim 4, further comprising recording means for recording data on said recording medium, wherein said control means controls said recording means so as to record the program information whose content is changed, on said recording medium.
- 6. An apparatus according to claim 4, wherein said control means changes the content of said program information according to the recording period of the moving image data recorded on said recording medium.
- 7. An apparatus according to claim 2, wherein the moving image data include plural moving image files, and said control means erases the moving image data based on the program information on each moving image file basis.
- 8. An apparatus according to claim 2, wherein the moving image data include plural moving image files, and said control means erases a part of the data of the moving image files based on the program information.
- 25 9. An apparatus according to claim 1, wherein the moving image data include plural moving image files, and said control means changes the recording

state of the moving image data based on the program information on each moving image file basis.

- 10. An apparatus according to claim 1, wherein the moving image data include plural moving image files, and said control means changes the recording state of a part of the data of said moving image files based on the program information.
- 11. An apparatus according to claim 1, wherein the moving image data include plural moving image files, and said control means changes the recording state of the moving image files based on the program information and the preparation dates of said plural moving image files.
- 12. An apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said moving image data include plural moving image files, and said control means changes the recording state of said moving image files based on the program information and the reproducing periods of the moving image files.
- 13. An apparatus according to claim 1, wherein 25 said control means further changes, after the changing process of the recording state, the content of the program information based on the moving image data

recorded in said recording medium.

An apparatus according to claim 13, further comprising recording means for recording data on said recording medium, wherein said control means controls said recording means so as to record the program information whose content is changed, in said recording medium.

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An apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said control means further controls the reproducing operation of the moving image data by said reproduction means according to the program information.

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An apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said reproduction means reproduces the program information from said recording medium.

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17. An apparatus according to claim 1, wherein the moving image data are based on the MPEG-2 TS format.

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An apparatus according to claim 1, wherein the moving image data are based on the SMIL format.

19. A reproducing apparatus comprising: input means for inputting moving image data

including plural moving image files and program data indicating the reproducing procedure of the moving image data;

recording/reproducing means for recording or reproducing the moving image data and the program data input by said input means to or from a recording medium; and

control means for controlling said
recording/reproducing means so as to change the
recording state of the moving image data recorded on
said recording medium based on the program data
reproduced from said recording medium, and changing the
content of the program data based on the image data
recorded on said recording medium after said changing
process of the recording state.

- 20. A reproducing method of reproducing moving image data from a recording medium, comprising a step of changing a recording state of the moving image data on said recording medium based on program information indicating a reproducing procedure of the moving image data.
- 21. A method according to claim 20, wherein the 25 content of the program information is changed based on the moving image data recorded on said recording medium after the change of the recording state.

22. A method of reproducing moving image data from a recording medium according to program information indicating a reproducing procedure of the moving image data, comprising a step of erasing, from said recording medium, the moving image data irrelevant from the reproducing procedure indicated by the program information, among the moving image data recorded on said recording medium.